

DEPARTMENT COMMENDATION

June 8, 2023

Officer Ty S. Morgan Coconut Creek Police Department 4800 West Copans Road Coconut Creek, FL 33063

Dear Officer Morgan:

It is a great pleasure to present you with the *Lifesaving Award* for the actions you took on April 24, 2023.

You and fellow officers responded to a call of a male who was actively attempting suicide by hanging. You were the first officer on scene and observed the male subject hanging from his second floor balcony railing by a bed sheet. You immediately began to lift the male up by his legs in order to take tension off of the bed sheet. Officer Schlachter then arrived and was able to cut through the bed sheet with a knife. Both you and Officer Schlachter then lowered the male to the ground and began rendering aid.

Officer Luberice then arrived on scene and immediately assisted with trying to remove the tightly-tied bed sheet from the male's neck. Officer Luberice stuck his fingers between the bed sheet and the male's neck while you and Officer Schlachter used two sets of trauma sheers to safety cut away the remaining sheet that was obstructing the airway.

Once the sheet was removed, the male began to breathe again. If not for your expedient, life-saving actions, this male victim may have followed through with his suicide attempt and not survived.

For this, it is with great pride that I present you with the department's *Lifesaving Commendation Award*. On behalf of the Coconut Creek Police Department, I would like to extend to you our thanks for an outstanding job.

Sincerely,

ALBERT A. ARENAL Chief of Police

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